Numb. 4299

The London Gazette.

Published by Authority.

From Monday January 20. to Thursday January 23. 1706.

Lisbon, Jan. 15. *N. S.*

THE Engliſh Fleet commanded by Sir Cloudeſly Shovell is ready to ſail towards Valentia with the next fair Wind, together with the Tranſports, having on board the Land Forces, under the Command of his Excellency the Earl Rivers, who intends to embark this Evening. The Portugueſe continue their Preparations againſt the next Campaign. The 13th Inſtant the Newcaſtle Man of War arrived here from Denia with Letters from Valentia, dated the 29th paſt. The Earl of Galway was then in that Place: The Troops under his Excellency's Command continued in their Quarters, without any Diſturbance from the Enemy; and it was not doubted there, but upon their being joined by the Earl Rivers, with the Forces under his Command, they would be able ſoon to recover the Advantage they had over the Enemy the laſt Campaign. A Detachment from Valentia had met with a Body of the Enemy, conſiſting of 1000 Foot and 600 Horſe, to whom they gave ſo entire a Defeat, that not above 20 eſcaped, the reſt being either killed or taken Priſoners; after which our Men took a Poſt of great Importance on the River Ebro, called Mequinenza, which will open the Paſſage of that River from Arragon to Valentia, and by that means prove of very great uſe towards the ſupplying our Troops quartered in thoſe Parts with Proviſions and other Neceſſaries.

Madrid, Jan. 5. The Duke of Anjou has removed the Duke d'Hijar from being Viceroy of Galicia, upon Suſpicion of his being enclined to the Houſe of Auſtria, and has given that Place to the Marquis of Risbourg. There are Advices from Navarre, That the Marquis de Saluzo being ſent with a Detachment from Tudela, had made himſelf Maſter of the Town of Exea in Arragon, not without much Oppoſition from the Gariſon; but not being in a Condition to advance any further, he plundered the Place, and having ſet Fire to it, returned to Tudela. At the ſame time we have an Account, That the Marquis de Pons, with a Detachment of our Troops from Caſtile, making an Excurſion towards Saragoſſa, was fallen upon by a Body of the Confederate Forces, and with great Difficulty eſcaped with very few of his Men to Molinos, being purſued by the Confederate Troops, which had afterwards blocked up that Place. Letters from Cadiz mention a conſiderable Advantage gained the 20th paſt in a Sally by the Gariſon of Ceuta over the Moors before that Town; the Beſieged having, as is ſaid, nailed up 7 Pieces of their Cannon, and killed or taken many of their Men.

Rome, Jan. 8. Several Congregations have been held here upon the Occaſion of the Demand made by the Imperialiſts of Contributions from the Territories belonging to this State; and the Pope has ſent an Expreſs to his Nuncio at Vienna, and a Gentleman with the Character of his Internuncio to Prince Eugene, to endeavour to obtain a total exemption for his Subjects from the Payment of any Contributions, or at leaſt an Abatement of the Sums demanded. The Biſhops of Poſen and Warmia are ſet at Liberty, and the latter has been to wait upon the Pope; which the other has not yet been able to do, being indiſpoſed.

Venice, Jan. 14. The Imperialiſts have agreed with the Duke of Parma upon what he is to pay by way of Contribution, and to be exempted from providing Winter Quarters for their Troops: They make Demands of the ſame nature from the Great Duke of Tuſcany and the Republick of Genoa. Their Troops do more and more ſtreighten Cremona, and will in ſome meaſure block up Mantua, thoſe which were at St. Michel and St. Martin de Verona being marched from thence towards the Mantuan. General Medavi continues with the main Body of his Troops in the Country called the Seraglio; and, for his greater Security, has poſted 4 Detachments at Certoſa, Montanara, Borgoforte and Governolo. Prince Eugene has ſent 2 Regiments to Como, and has alſo reinforced the Gariſon of Fort Fuentes, for the better preventing any Attempt of the Enemy upon the Milaneſe on that ſide.

Milan, Jan. 15. Prince Eugene went from hence yeſterday for Turin, having ſettled with our Magiſtrates the Contributions which the Inhabitants of this Dutchy are to pay towards the Subſiſtence of the Imperial Troops, at 20600 Livres a Day. The Preparations are continued for attacking our Caſtle. We have Advice, That the Marquis de Langalerie, with a Body of German Horſe, has ſurpriſed Borgoforte, and taken the French Gariſon there Priſoners of War.

Vienna, Jan 16. Count Dietrichſtein, Ambaſſador from Maltha, had publick Audience yeſterday of the Emperor, to whom he made Compliments of Condoleance and Congratulation, on the Death of the late Emperor, and his Imperial Majeſty's Succeſſion to the Throne. Letters from Hungary ſay, Prince Ragotzi was marched from Roſenau towards Mongatz.

Dreſden, Jan. 19. King Auguſtus went yeſterday to confer with the King of Sweden at Alt-Ranſtad. The Queen is ſhortly expected at Torgau from Culmbach The Electreſs Dowager, with the Electoral Prince of Saxony, who, upon the Swedes marching into theſe Parts, retired into the Country of Holſtein, will alſo return hither in few Days. Monſieur Printz, whom the King of Pruſſia had ſent as his Envoy Extraordinary to the King of Sweden, is gone back to Berlin.

Hanover, Jan. 21. Our Elector returned hither the 17th Inſtant from Brunſwick, having been entertained there with great Marks of Eſteem and Reſpect by the Duke of Wolfembuttle, who intends to come hither to partake of the Diverſions of the Carnaval.

Francfort, Jan. 23. The Margrave of Brandenbourg Bareith having taken upon him the Command of the Imperial Army on the Rhine, is on his Departure from Heilbron towards Stolhoffen, to view the Lines on that ſide. Several Candidates are named for the Poſt of General of the Forces of the Empire, in the room of the late Prince Lewis of Baden; but it is not yet known who is moſt likely to ſucceed him. Recruits are raiſing in theſe Parts and in Bavaria with very good Succeſs for the Emperor's Service, and that of the ſeveral neighbouring Circles, who intend to have their Troops in a Condition to take the Field early the next Campaign.

Hague, Jan. 28. *N. S.* Yeſterday in the Afternoon General Dopff ſet out from hence towards Germany, being charged with a Commiſſion from this State to the Aſſembly of the Circles, which is to meet at Heilbron about the end of this Month; from whence he is to proceed to Vienna, to meet Prince Eugene, and concert Meaſures with his Highneſs for the next Campaign. The Count de Rechteren will alſo ſhortly return to Vienna, as Envoy Extraordinary from the States General.

Edinburgh, Jan. 16. This Day the Act for Security of the Proteſtant Religion and Presbyterian Church-Government within Scotland; and the Act Ratifying and Approving the Treaty of Union of the Two Kingdoms of Scotland and England; were both Touched with the Royal Scepter, by his Grace James Duke of Queensberry, Her Majeſty's High Commiſſioner, in the uſual manner.

Falmouth, Jan. 18. On the 14th Inſtant ſailed hence to the Eaſtward two Dutch Men of War, and under their Convoy 6 Spaniſh Veſſels from Bilboa, bound to Rotterdam; and 4 Prizes, taken by Dutch Privateers; the Induſtry of London, homeward bound from Virginia, taken by the French, and afterwards retaken by Her Majeſty's Ship the Nonſuch; and a Swede, bound home from Rochell. The 16th came in here the Expedition Packet-Boat, Francis Clyes Commander, from Lisbon, having been 12 Days in her Paſſage. At the ſame time ſailed hence the St. Ann of and from Oſtend, bound for Waterford; and the Flying Mercury of Amſterdam, laden with Corn for Lisbon: There came in alſo the Moon Dogger, bound from Bourdeaux to Amſterdam. The 17th arrived here from Plimouth the Nightingale of London, William Smiton Maſter. This Day ſailed the Diſpatch Brigantine of London, and the Alliance Packet-Boat, John Green Commander, both bound for Lisbon.

Plimouth, Jan. 17. On the 13th Inſtant came in here the Shoreham from Ireland. The 14th came in from Penzance the Mary and Canary-Bird, both for Portugal: At the ſame time ſailed hence ſeveral of Her Majeſty's Ships, and two Dutch Men of War, with about 70 Ships under their Convoy, ſome bound for London, and others for Holland; and the Reſtoration for Torbay. The 16th came in two Dutch Men of War and a Privateer from Falmouth, and with them 4 Prizes, and 6 Ships from Bilboa, bound for Holland; the Indian from Virginia, bound for London; a Dutch Ship for Cork, and two for France. Laſt Night ſailed hence the Charles Galley, with 24 Merchant Ships, to join the Men of War and Merchant-men commanded by Sir Thomas Dilks. The ſame Day came in the Mary Galley from London, bound for Lisbon, and a Dutch Prize. This Evening the Reſerve and George Gallies returned hither from the Eaſtward.

Dartmouth, Jan. 19. On the 15th Inſtant Sir Tho. Dilks ſailed from Torbay, having under his Convoy ſeveral Merchant Ships, outward bound: At the ſame time put into Torbay two Dutch Men of War from Plimouth, to wait for ſome Veſſels from Topſham, bound for Holland, and were joined from hence by a Veſſel from New-England, one from Maryland, one from Penſilvania, and one from Jamaica, being all bound for London. This Day came in here two Dutch Veſſels from Nantz, one laden with Fruit, the other with Wine, both homeward bound. This Afternoon the two Dutch Men of War, with ſome Veſſels from Topſham, and thoſe bound for London above-mentioned, ſailed to the Eaſtward.

Conti-